



## **City of Thornton COVID-19 Recovery Grant Nonprofit Frequently Asked Questions**

*Note: FAQs will be updated as questions from nonprofits are sent to [ARPA@ThorntonCO.gov](mailto:ARPA@ThorntonCO.gov). Please check for updates weekly. FAQs were first posted on Friday, July 8, 2022.*

**Q: My organization is not located in Thornton. Can I apply?**

A: Yes; your organization does not have to be located in the city, but it must serve City of Thornton residents.

**Q: My organization has applied for TAF funding, ARPA funding from Adams County, and/or the Support Grant. Can I apply?**

A: Yes, your organization can apply. If you received funding from TAF or the Support Grant, you can apply with a different project. If you received ARPA funding from Adams County, you can apply for the same project if Adams County's funding used as a match for the current project. If you applied and did not receive funding from the Support Grant, you can apply with your previous project.

**Q: How has this round of funding (Recovery Grant) differ from the previous round (Support Grant)?**

A: The application and scoring matrix has changed, but the substance is very similar. The biggest change is allowing ongoing costs to be eligible. In the last round, only one-time costs were eligible, but now both one-time and ongoing are both eligible. The way the impact score is calculated has also changed. If you applied for the Support Grant, we encourage you to reuse your responses; since the criteria has changed for the Recovery Grant, do not assume that your previous application would not work for this next round.

**Q: What happened with the Support Grant?**

A: 22 organizations applied; out of these 22 organizations, 21 were nonprofits and one was a for-profit business. The requests totaled \$864,711.80, and four applicants asked for more than what was available. 16 applicants did not sufficiently address sustainability.

These are the organizations that were awarded funding (\* indicates tentative acceptance).

- Anythink Libraries – marketing
- Growing Home - marketing
- Thrive Church Food Bank – food pantry equipment\*
- Brothers Redevelopment – replacement vehicle
- Christian Riders (CRIF) – mobile food pantry\*
- Five Star Foundation – resource closet\*

**Q: When must spending be completed?**

A: Spending must be completed by the end of 2023

**Q: How much funding is available?**

A: \$500,000 for both businesses and nonprofits; how much businesses and nonprofits receive will depend on the applications and projects themselves.

**Q: Is there anything planned for next year?**

A: We anticipate having \$2M in ARPA funding available for nonprofit and business support in 2023 and 2024.

**Q: Are there tips for applying?**

A: Yes, here are a few:

- Please respond to the question! Longer is not better
- Respond to staff/committee questions in a timely manner
- Recycle previous responses (if applicable)
- Consider high point scoring sections, such as impact, one-time (for personnel, consider hiring/retention bonuses and not payroll costs), and COVID-19 correlation